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Please print this for your co-workers. The City is continuing to save money by not producing printed copies of the City Update, but still needs to communicate to all employees. Please help by printing this newsletter (preferably back-to-back) for workers in your area who do not have computer access. Thank you.

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A word from Mayor Kelly

... and from Al Bataglia, Saint Paul emergency preparedness director:

With impending war and the potential for accompanying terrorist acts, many of us are rightly concerned about the safety of our families and communities. I want to reassure you that while we have no reason to believe we face any immediate or direct threat, the City of Saint Paul is prepared to deal with and act in case of any dangerous

situation in our community.

The City's Fire and Police departments, Ramsey County law enforcement and Public Health have tested and coordinated plans, as we do with any significant emergency situation that impacts the city and county, such as flooding, tornadoes, Y2K and

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Family Emergency Preparedness Suggestions:

The Saint Paul - Ramsey County Department of Public Health encourages residents to consider their own safety awareness. Talking about personal safety is a healthy way to calm fears and ease uncertainty no matter what the emergency (natural disaster or national conflict). Below is a list of general recommendations for you to consider as you think about personal safety:

- Inform family members about your whereabouts
- Know who to call if you notice suspicious activity in your area

- Talk to children about safety and its importance
- Consider making a personal safety kit to care for your family should you need to stay in one place
- Discuss family plans should you be away from home in an emergency
- Stay informed about Local, State, and National News events
- Create a list of emergency resources to call for quick and easy reference

Personal safety preparedness is a personal choice. For specific suggestions on what to do and how to prepare consider the following web sites for information:

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www.ci.stpaul.mn.us

Places to go. Things to do.

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post-Sept. 11 events. In the [now-realized] eventuality of war, the City will activate the Joint Emergency Operation Center with Ramsey County.

With the activation of the EOC, the city also plans to activate the Police - Fire Assessment Team again, as the city did after the September 11, 2001 events. You, or any member of the public, can call 651-291-1234 if you have any questions or concerns, or to report any suspicious activities.

Finally, I want to encourage us to continue as best we can the good work we do for the people of Saint Paul. Citizens and our other partners will look to us as a source of continuity and stability as they continue to go about their daily work and lives.

Please see the accompanying article outlining some emergency preparation tips to help you and your family feel secure through these tense times.

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www.ready.gov

Created by the US Department of Homeland Security. Provides information about National Terrorism Threat Levels (Red, Orange, Yellow, etc.). Offers advice on emergency preparedness.

www.redcross.org

The American Red Cross web site features tips on what to include in family emergency kits.

www.dps.state.mn.us

Provides LOCAL information about public safety resources and emergency preparedness in Minnesota.

Do you have friends or family who are involved with the war effort?

If you have a relative or close friend now active in the armed services or in some other way directly supporting the war effort, the City update will be happy to print their name, as well as their military or service unit.

It will help honor and support these individuals just to have their names listed and read by others. You may wish to pray for them, or send them your best wishes in some other way. It can't hurt, and it might help.

Please send information on your family member or close friend to roger.grupp@ci.stpaul.mn.us, or call me, Roger Grupp, at 651-266-8700. Talk to me or leave a message.



Progress Through Partnerships

Saint Paul's Future

Mayor Randy Kelly invites you to the 2003 State of the City address, "Saint Paul's Future: Progress through Partnerships," on Thursday, April 10th at University of Minnesota Saint Paul Student Union Center Theatre

Program:

4:00 pm – Musical Performance & Seating

4:20 pm – Presentation of Colors and National Anthem

4:30 pm – Mayor Randy Kelly 2003 – 2004 State of the City Address

A reception will immediately follow Mayor Kelly's address, and will be held in the Paul Whitney Larson Gallery and upper level lounge. For information, call 651-266-8510.

City job openings as of March 21st, 2003

Application deadline	Job title	Bi-weekly or hourly salary rate	Exam date
Open	ECC Telecommunicator	\$1,417.26 bi-weekly	See Job Ann
04/04/03	Fire Chief	\$85,862.00 yearly	See Job Ann
Open	Parks Worker I	\$7.66 per hr	See Job Ann

Note: Call or visit the Office of Human Resources to receive the official job announcement for these positions. Location: 400 City Hall Annex. Phone: 651-266-6500 or visit the web site: www.ci.stpaul.mn.us/jobopenings. For jobs announced after March 13th, please call our 24-hour job line, 651-266-6502.

On January 16th, 2003, Mayor Randy Kelly announced a hiring freeze for the City of Saint Paul until further notice. This applies to all positions within the City, but excludes the Saint Paul-Ramsey County Department of Public Health and RiverCentre.

Certain positions may be determined exempt for the hiring freeze; please continue to check our web site and job line to see if there are any new postings for which you might be interested.